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Foundational Dinner to feature guest speaker and silent auction

NTCA is making final preparations for its annual Foundational Fund dinner later this month, featuring a wonderful message about our children's future and a silent auction of class baskets, gift items, and exciting trips.

Special guest speaker will be Dr. Tim Elmore, who has written a book titled *Generation iY – Our Last Chance to Save Their Future*. NTCA invites you to the special evening event with Dr. Elmore for a presentation, book signing, and dinner on March 31st. Attendees will gain an understanding of how to equip Generation iY to become future leaders.

As always, our silent auction includes perennial favorite gift baskets from each NTCA class, with popular themes like gardening, family movie/entertainment night, and restaurant gift cards. New for this year, some of our auction items can be bid on directly through the NTCA web site, featuring a lineup of fabulous jewelry, autographed sports memorabilia,

and once-in-a-lifetime opportunities like:

- NCAA Final Four Championship Game Package, April 2-4, 2011, in Houston, with 3-night hotel stay, airfare for two, and upper level tickets to Saturday and Monday games.
- American Airlines Round-Trip Airfare for two from the U.S. to Alaska, Hawaii, Canada, Europe, Caribbean, or Mexico.
- Hyatt Regency Cancun 5-night stay
- Carnival Alaska or Caribbean Cruise
- N.Y. Weekend Package—includes a 3-night hotel stay at the luxurious Andaz 5th Avenue, dinner, and a Broadway show with airfare for two
- Girlfriend Getaway—enjoy \$1,000 shopping spree with Bloomingdale's personal shopper, including a 3-night stay and airfare for two

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Students attend academic meets

The 4th-6th grade students had an exciting trip to Austin to compete in the TCSA Academic Meet on February 25th.

The students worked hard preparing for their events, which included math, vocabulary, oral poetry, picture memory, and many more.

On the way to the academic meet, the students got to see the Inner Space Cav-

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Rescheduled dance coming up March 5

Don't forget the rescheduled NTCA Daddy/Daughter Dance will be Saturday, March 5th. The dance will start 7 p.m. at First Christian Church in McKinney. Volunteers are needed to help the day of the dance. If you can help, contact Eve Mendoza at emendoza@northtexaschristian.org.

Academic meets (continued)

erns. They learned that caves have “soda straws” and “bacon.” These were just a few of the interesting formations the students got to observe along with the traditional stalactites and stalagmites. It was wonderful seeing science in action.

The students also visited the state capitol and debated like senators and representatives.

“We had a great time and can’t wait to prepare for next year,” Mrs. Scott said.

Next up the 7th grade class will be attending the Texas Christian Schools Interscholastic Tournament on April 7th –9th. It will be held in Abilene at Abilene Christian University.

The students will be participating in different activities such as spelling, number sense, Bible reading, and many other events. They are very excited about the trip, and want to thank all the families for donating to the fundraisers that helped them attend the meet.



Fourth, fifth and sixth graders visited the state capitol while attending an academic meet last month.

Classroom News

Kindergarten Readiness

Due to the weather delays, we are still working on our letters, but we will start our reading groups at the end of March. Yea! We celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday on Thursday, March 3rd, and had lots of fun! We are collecting items to go in our Gardening Basket for our fundraiser dinner. Any donations would be appreciated.

Kindergarten

Kindergarten was busy in February! We went on a field trip to Young Chef's Academy and learned to cook pasta and a yummy dessert. We also had a fun time at the park feeding the ducks. We have been learning about rocks and soil in science and had a great time doing rock experiments. We have started long vowels in our reading groups along with reading short books.

We are really working hard at that. We also love to write in our journals and share what we write with our classmates. In math we have been learning to add and this week we will be making all kinds of shape pictures. We are looking forward to a great spring and can't wait to see what we will learn next!

Second Grade

Second graders have now learned all their letters and have begun to write everything in cursive. They are amazing! They have just completed a Social Studies unit on government and are topping it off with research on a president of their choice. We will be putting the research information into paragraph form next week. Learning about the presidents has tied in well with reading the chapter book “Civil War on Sunday” and learning about famous

black Americans, such as Rosa Parks and Thurgood Marshall. In math, we finished a unit about surveys and are now talking about ratios and patterns. We are learning about these concepts by creating floor plans and buildings out of connecting cubes. On Friday, March 4th, we will be taking a field trip with the first graders to see “The Frog Prince” through puppetry.

Fifth Grade

We have been learning about biographies. Each student chose a biography to read about a famous person and had to do a report on the person they chose. They are also making life-size portraits of the people they chose and decorating them with facts about the person so other students can learn about them. We will be displaying the portraits at open house next month.

Cougar of the Month

Thomas Klovstad was the January Cougar of the Month. He is in Mrs. Cristina's second-grade class.

"Thomas is a wonderful choice for Cougar of the Month because he is very humble. Even though he is confident and always ready to try something new, I never hear him brag on himself. He is very generous with complimenting others," Mrs. Cristina said. "Thomas has a great attitude when we play games whether his team wins or loses. Either way, I often hear him say, 'Good game.' If someone is upset about the out-



Thomas Klovstad

come, he is quick to say, 'It's just a game.' I am very proud of Thomas and thrilled that he has been chosen as the humble Student of the Month."

Cubs Corner



Our themes for March are Paul, Seasons, and Community Workers. We are learning about the letters S, T, and U. Our color is blue and our shape is the oval.

Our Bible verse is from II Corinthians 5:17: "Those who are in Christ are a new creation; the old is gone, the new has come!"

Birthday wishes in March go out to Camryn, Memphis, and Jonathan. Happy Birthday to you all! Hope your day is fantastic!

January Students of the Week

Week of Jan. 1

KR – Byron Burrell

K – Anders Klovstad

1st – Ryan Humphrey

2nd – Julia Lincks

3rd – Brad Wolgamott

4th – Grant Fletcher

5th/6th/7th – Dezri Cristina

Week of Jan. 17

KR – Avery Howard

K – Ryan Rees

1st – Landree Wilson

2nd – Morgan Pettway

3rd – Josh Mendoza

4th – Tate Chaffin

5th/6th/7th – Schelby Sheffey

Week of Jan. 10

KR – Yessica Schlessler

K – Evah-Luv Mendoza

1st – Morgan Krizek

2nd – Bradey Zimmerman

3rd – Hunter Chaffin

4th – Lexie Bartlett

5th/6th/7th – Clay Chapman

Week of Jan. 24

KR – Valerie Ndofor

K – Daniela Morales

1st – Dylan Ndoko

2nd – Thomas Klovstad

3rd – Trinity Cristina

4th – Garrett Kirkconnell

Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

Preschool, kindergarten readiness, and kindergarten classes celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday on Thursday, March 3rd, with loads of fun activities. RIGHT: Corben came as Fox in Socks. BELOW: Teachers, staff, and students had fun dressing up as their favorite Seuss characters.



The next 4-H Club meeting will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. on April 5th.

A special thanks to Nothing Bundt Cakes for sponsoring our Foundation Fund Event on March 31st. Please go by and try their yummy Bundt cakes and express your gratitude.



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 Monday-Friday: 9 a.m.- 6 p.m.
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April 25-29—Scholastic Book Fair

April 28— NTCA Open House

April 30 —Mother/Son Event

March Lunch Volunteer Schedule

Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers for helping with our lunch program. If you can help with our lunches, or if you need to reschedule for any reason, please contact Theresa Winstead at 214.544.1794 or email her at twinstead@northtexaschristian.org.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 Colleen Haaland	2 Tina Tennison, Joe Hicks, Linda Ndofor	3 Anndria Wilson	4 Teresa and James Shaw, Sharon Dunlap, Alison Mains
7 Emily Chapman, Kathy Brewer	8 Colleen Haaland, Chris Vilches	9 Tina Tennison, Shannon Humphrey, Kelly Chacon	10 Holly Milstead	11 Alison Mains, Vera Burrell, Ken Dunlap, Tina Autry
14	15	16	17	18
Spring Break				
21 Emily Chapman, Angie Klovstad	22 Colleen Haaland, Chris Vilches	23 Tina Tennison, Brenda Bartlett, Kelly Chacon	24 Holly Milstead	25 Alison Mains, Teresa and James Shaw, Sharon Dunlap, Renee Hicks
28 Emily Chapman, Angie Klovstad	29 Colleen Haaland	30 Tina Tennison, Joe Hicks, Linda Ndofor	31 Anndria Wilson	

Foundational Dinner (continued)

- U.S. Open Golf Premium Package June 18–19, 2011, in Congressional Country Club in Bethesda, Maryland, with a 4-night hotel stay and airfare for two with U.S. Open Club tickets to the Saturday and Sunday U.S. Open rounds with upgraded amenities.
- Disney World Resort Family Adventure—4-night, 1-room hotel stay with airfare for four

The event will be held Thursday, March 31st, at 6:30 p.m. at High Pointe Church of Christ. Order your tickets today using the form below.

Dr. Elmore is an excellent speaker with an excellent mes-

sage. His book is written about the second half of Gen Y, the population born since 1990. The Gen iY world has been shaped by iTunes, iMacs, iPods, iPads and for many of them, life is pretty much about "i." The book, however, is not another chance to whine about kids today. Quite the opposite, it's a book offering a plan to re-think how we raise, lead, and minister to this emerging generation. Dr. Elmore will give parents, teachers, grandparents, and youth leaders a practical plan for equipping Gen iY to be the best version of themselves.

He has written over 20 books and has delivered leadership training and keynotes to hundreds of academic and corporate organizations in more than 30 countries.

	<h1>REGISTRATION</h1> <p>3.31.11 6:30 PM NTCA</p>	
<p>Name: _____ Please print clearly</p>		
<p>Number of Tickets: _____ Registration includes dinner and signed book</p>		
<p>Total: (\$50 per ticket) _____</p>		
<p>Method of Payment: <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> MC <input type="checkbox"/> Visa</p>		
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<p>Name Printed on Card</p>		
<p>_____</p>		
<p>Signature of Cardholder</p>		
<p>_____</p>		
<p>Email (your receipt and other event info will be sent to this email address)</p>		
<p>_____</p>		
<p>I authorize the amount specified above to be charged to my credit card listed above for participation in the Generation iY dinner event.</p>		

Please make checks payable to:
North Texas Christian Academy

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